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# THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL OF LITTLEBOROUGH

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

and

SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

for the

YEAR 1972

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#### URBAN DISTRICT OF LITTLEBOROUGH

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#### MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year ended 31st December, 1972

To the Chairman and Members of the Littleborough Urban District Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit to you my first Annual Report on the Health and Mortality of your District for the year 1972.

#### POPULATION

The estimated population (as supplied by the County Council) of the District is 12,350 as compared with 12,130 for last year.

# AREA

The District extends over an area of 7,855 acres, and is situated on the borders of Lancashire and Yorkshire at a height ranging from about 400 to 1,550 feet above sea level.

The climate is somewhat damp but bracing.

The chief industries include the manufacture of woollen goods and synthetic fibres, leather tanning, iron turning, oil and fat refining, dyeing and finishing, making of bread and confectionery, glue manufacture and fibre glass products, general joinery and building contractors, industrial container cleansing, pharmaceutical manufacturers.

#### VITAL STATISTICS

The number of deaths in the district in 1972 was 166, 72 males and 94 females, which is equivalent to a death rate of 13.4 per 1,000 of the estimated population.

The number of births was 220, 113 males and 107 females, which is equivalent to a birth rate of 17.8.

There was 1 still-birth, 1 female, giving a rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births of .5.

The births exceeded the deaths by 54 and the birth rate exceeded the death rate by 4.4. The mean birth rate for the past five years was 6.98 above the mean death rate.

For 1972 the birth rate was 17.8 and the death rate 13.4 and the averages for the past five years were:— Birth rate 20.28 and the death rate 13.3.

From these figures it will be seen that the birth rate is 2.30 below the previous year and 2.40 below the average for the past five years, and the death rate .38 below the previous year and .10 above the average.

For further particulars see tables in the Report.



#### INFANT DEATHS

There have been 4 deaths under one year of age, 2 males and 2 females, which is equivalent to a rate of 18 per 1,000 live births, and 7 deaths and a rate of 29 for 1971.

From these figures it will be seen that the rate is 11.0 below the previous year and .60 above the average.

There have been 4 deaths under 4 weeks of age equivalent to a death rate of 18 per 1,000 live births, as compared with 6 deaths and a rate of 25 for 1971.

# TUBERCULOSIS DEATHS

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#### CANCER DEATHS

24

#### MATERNAL MORTALITY

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INFECTIOUS DISEASES	1972	1971
Tuberculosis.	1	1
Scarlet Fever.	-	****
Diphtheria.		***
Erysipelas.	***	_
Ophthalmia Meonatorum.	dend	***
Para Typhoid Fever.		_
Acute Poliomyelitis.	966	_
Puerperal Tyrexia.	-	_
Acute Pneumonia. (primary and influenzal.)	neg.	-
Acute Encephalitis.	ano	-
Meningococcal Infection.	-	-
Small-port.	_	_
Measles.	26	1
Whooping Cough.	_	-
Food Poisoning.	9149	-
Dysentery.	5	_
Viral Meningitis.	mag	_
Infective Jaundice.	-	1

One point again worthy of comment is the fact that 1972 was the twenty-sixth year in succession in which no cases of Diphtheria were notified. Such a long spell without the occurrence of a case is sufficient evidence of the value of Diphtheria immunisation. In order to maintain this record, it is essential that parents should continue to have their children immunised. It is also again pleasing to report that no cases of Scarlet Fever were notified during 1972, for this fifteenth year in succession.

# MEASLES

26 cases occurred, which were treated at home. There were no deaths.

# TUBERCULOSIS

There was 1 death from respiratory Tuberculosis during the year.

There was 1 new addition to the register (1 "Formal"). The new addition was retired.

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The Public Health (Tuberculosis) Regulations 1952 no longer require a Medical Officer of Health to keep a register of Tuberculosis notifications, but the Department of Health urges that registers should continue to be kept. A register is therefore maintained of all cases notified and statements forwarded to the County Medical Officer of Health of all additions to and removals from the register.

The number of cases on the Tuberculosis Register, old and new, in the District at the beginning of the year was 58, 47 respiratory and 11 non-respiratory. 1 case was added to the register, being a respiratory case. 1 case was removed from the register, leaving a total of 58 cases, 47 respiratory and 11 non-respiratory at the end of the year.

The body of the report contains details of the work of the department during the year, and the report of the Senior Public Health Inspector sets out details of the sanitary circumstances of the district.

My thanks are due to the staff of the Department for their good work throughout the year.

I am,

Ladies and Gentlemen,
Yours obediently,

J. S. WILLIAM.

Medical Officer of Health.

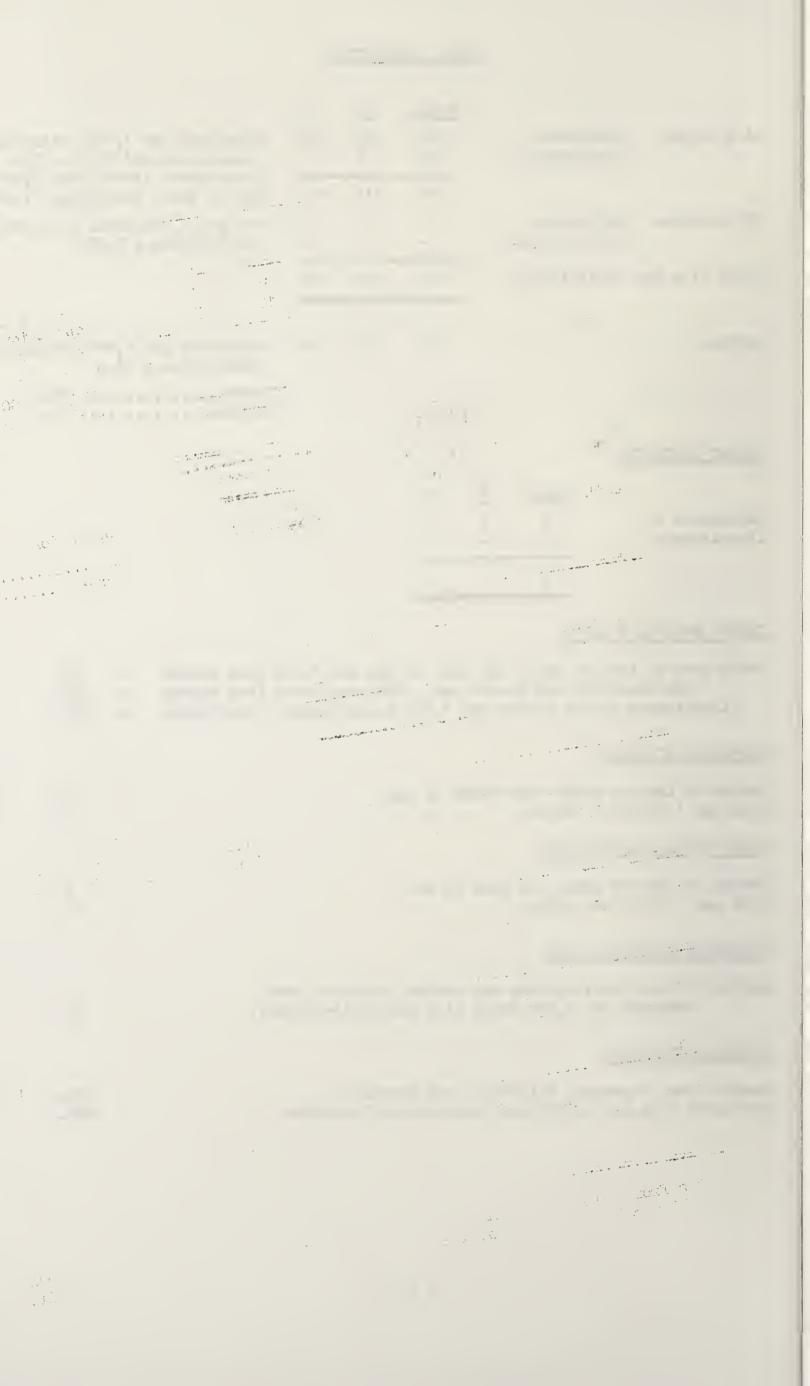
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# VITAL STATISTICS

	Total	<u>M</u> .	F.	
Live Births. Legitimate.	204 16	104	100 7	Birth-rate per 1,000 estimated population mid 1972 = 17.8
	220	113	107	Illegitimate live-births (per cent of total live hirths) 7.00
Stillbirths. Legitimate. Illegitimate.	1		1	Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths = 5.00
Total live and stillbirths.	221	113	108	SULLIDITURS - 7.00
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Deaths.	166	72	94	Death rate per 1,000 estimated population = 13.4
				Crude
INFANT MORTALITY				
Total M.	F.			
Legitimate 4 2 Illegitimate	2			
4 2	2			
INFANT MORTALITY RATES				
Death rate of infants under one : Legitimate infant deaths				
Illegitimate infant deaths per	r 1,000	illegi	itimato	e, live births - Nil
NEO-NATAL MORTALITY				
Deaths of infants under four week Rate per 1,000 live births.	ks of a	ge.		4 18
EARLY NEO-NATAL MORTALITY				
Deaths of infants under one week	of age	•		4
Rate per 1,000 live births.				18
PERINATAL MORTALITY RATE				
Mortality rate (still-births and combined per 1,000 total				
MATERNAL MORTALITY				

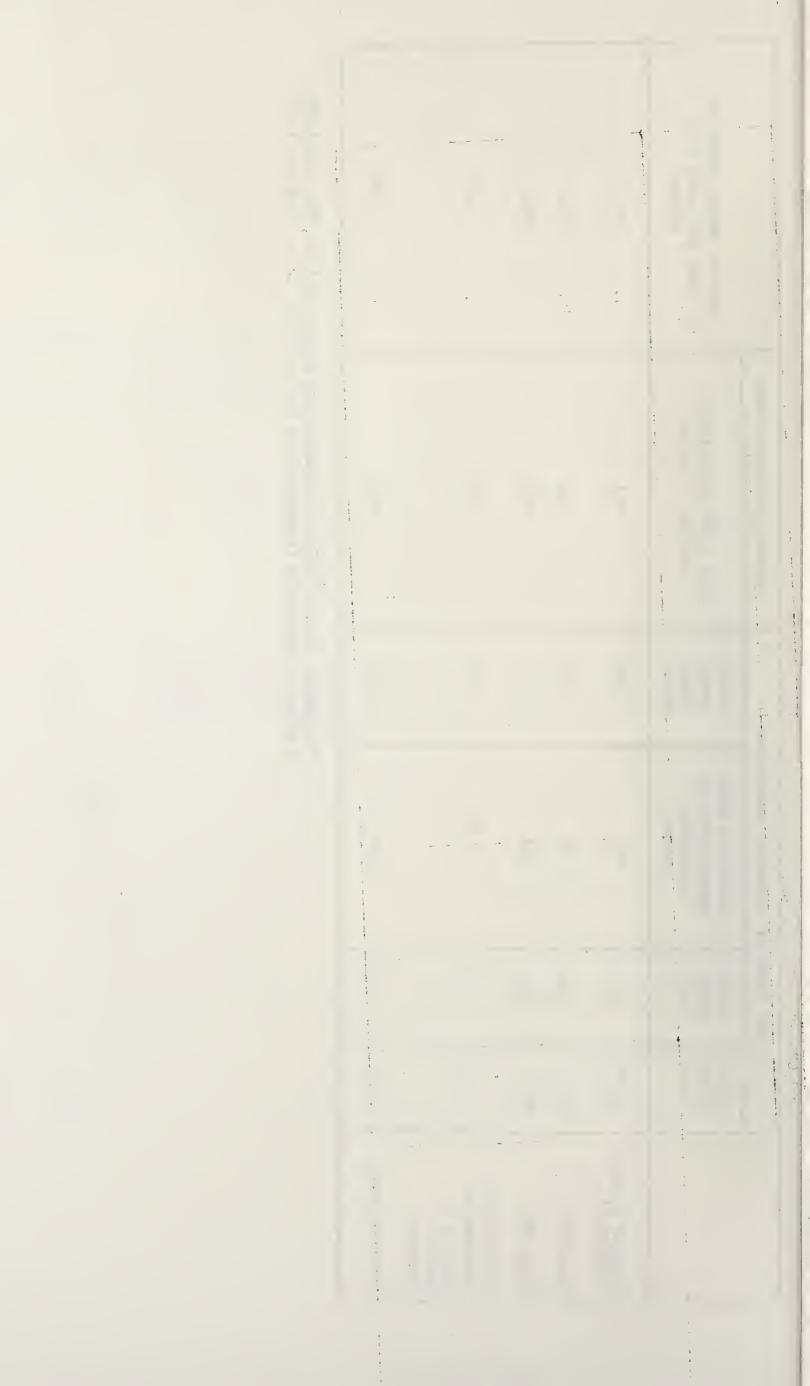
NIL.

Deaths from pregnancy, childbirth and abortion.
Mortality rate per 1,000 total live and still-births.



		Per 1,000	Per 1,000 of estimated population	u	Maternal mortality rate	
	Live birth- rate	Crude death rate	Death-rate from Tuberculosis of respiratory system	Death- rate from Cancer	Per 1,000 total (live and still) births	Rate of deaths under one year per 1,000 live births
Mean of 5 years (1967-71)	20.28	13.3	Nil	1.544	Nil	17.4
Year 1972.	17.8	13.4	80.	1.73	Nil	18.0
Year 1971.	20.1	12.1	Nil	Nil	LiN	29.0
Increase or Decrease in 1972 on 5 year's average.	- 2,48	0 +	+ 0.03	6	Nil	09*0
Previous year.	÷ •22	+ 1.68	0.05	1.91	LiN	10.26

\* Adjusted live birth-rate (comparability factor .94) = 16.7 per 1,000.  $\phi$  Adjusted death-rate (comparability factor 1.15) = 15.4 per 1,000.



# VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1972

	CAUSES OF DEATH	Males	Females
All ca	uses:	72	94
1.	Tuberculosis of Respiratory System.	1	_
2-9.	All forms of Cancer.	6	17
10.	Other Endocrine etc. Disease.	1	-
11.	Multiple Sclerosis.	2	1
12-14.	Heart Diseases.	37	24
15.	Cerebrovascular Diseases.	7	25
16.	Other Diseases of Circulatory System.	1	4
17.	Influenza.	-	1
18.	Pneumonia.	4	9
19.	Bronchitis and Emphysema.	4	2
20.	Other Diseases of Respiratory System.	-	1
21.	Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia.	1	- 1
22.	Cirrhosis of Liver.	1	2
23.	Other Diseases of Digestive System.	-	1
24.	Nephritis and Nephrosis.	1	1
25.	Hypherlasia of Prostate.	1	-
26.	Other Diseases Genito Urinary System.	1	-
27.	Congenital Anomalies.	1	-
28.	Birth Injury, Difficult Labour etc.	-	2
29.	Motor Vehicle Accidents.	3	2
30.	Suicide and Self Inflicted Injuries.	-	1
31.	All other External Causes.	-	1

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# LITTLEBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

#### SENIOR PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR'S REPORT

#### For the Year 1972

To the Medical Officer of Health of the Littleborough Urban District Council.

Sir,

I have pleasure in submitting my ninth Annual Report for the year 1972, in accordance with Article 25 of the Public Health Officers Regulations 1959. Comment is made on several aspects of the work, but other details, statistics etc., have been included in your report to the County Medical Officer of Health, a copy of which is attached to this report.

A summary sheet is also attached showing details of the visits and inspections made during the year.

# HOUSING

No new houses were built primarily to rehouse tenants of existing unfit houses.

Private development has continued during the year, and at 31st December, 1972, two hundred and fifty eight were under construction and two hundred and thirty nine have been completed.

Improvement of older houses has also continued and discretionary grant work has been completed at 50 houses and standard grant work has been completed at 54 houses.

#### WATER SUPPLY

The District is supplied in most parts by the West Pennine Water Board, and the number of houses connected to the mains is 4,666.

Sampling of both public and private supplies was continued during the year, the bacteriological samples of the public supply being satisfactory.

The results of bacteriological samples of private supplies were unsatisfactory If private supplies did not look satisfactory, and if they were not pleasant to use for washing purposes then there would be a public out-cry against such supplies.

Although there is no record of an outbreak of water borne disease in Littleborough district with unprotected gathering grounds etc., the risk is ever present and the contention that the cost of connecting to the public mains or the provision of equipment in all other cases is too high and cannot be justified when the health of those served by untreated private supplies is at risk daily.

# REFUSE COLLECTION AND TRADE WASTE DISPOSAL

The Council's scheme for renewal of defective dustbins continues to function satisfactorily, and the number renewed was 263.

During the year 239 were supplied to new houses built in the district. 245 additional bins supplied to houses with central heating, 73 plastic bins were issued to properties without central heating but with only gas, electric fires or storage heaters.

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#### REFUSE COLLECTION AND TRADE WASTE DISPOSAL - continued:

Collection of domestic refuse has generally been maintained throughout the year, but certain problems arise due to the number of men available during holiday periods. The occasional use of casual labour allowed the service to function almost normally during the periods when the regular staff took their annual leave entitlement.

Collection of trade waste from shops proceeded satisfactorily and the charge of £1.25 per premises per annum was continued.

The Council's policy of charging for accepting trade waste etc., on the Council's tip was continued\*. During the year 567 loads were deposited on the Council's Hollingworth Tip, an official receipt being given on each occasion. It is anticipated that there will be an increase in the number of depositions in the coming year.

\*The rate charged is now £1 or £2 per load, according to size of load.

# PETROLEUM ACTS 1928/36

During the year twenty six renewals of existing licences were granted under the above Acts.

# CLOSET CONVERSIONS

The Council's policy of encouraging the conversion of obsolete closets to the water carriage system was continued during the year, and in order to further this policy, particularly when pail closets are used in common, the Council continued the payment of grants. Prior to October 1968, the grant aid was up to a maximum of £10 for each unit of accommodation, but from October 1968, the Council resolved to consider contribution up to half the cost of conversions.

During 1972 three (3) waste water closets were converted to the fresh water carriage system.

The number of pail closets in regular use number 46.

#### MEAT AND FOOD INSPECTION

Slaughtering is carried out at two slaughterhouses in the District. Both are conducted by wholesale butchers and result in slaughtering in excess of the normal requirements of the district and involve the inspection of meat outside what are normally regarded as office hours and at weekends.

During the year 2,187 Bulls, Bullocks and Heifers, 1,705 Cows, 22 Calves, 9,401 Sheep and Lambs, 1,682 Pigs were killed and inspected. The percentage of those affected with diseases or conditions requiring condemnation of some part or organ were 9.64, 47.42, Nil, 4.23 and 4.16 respectively.

The total weight of meat condemned during the year was 8 tons, 1 cwt. 1 qrt. 2 lbs.

# OTHER FOODS

Beef and Pork, together with pastries and the contents of a commercial deep freeze totalling 12 cwts. 2 qtrs. 11 lbs. were condemned as unfit for human consumption and were disposed of.

#### FOOD HYGIENE

Visits to food premises in the district continue to raise the general standard.

It is important for all food handlers to appreciate their important position in the community and to realize that by following sound hygiene practice regarding storage of food, proper stock rotation, preparation and serving of food they may prevent certain food borne infections.

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#### PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

Vandalism at the public conveniences has continued steadily throughout the year, and the only difference between this year and former years is that vandals have been forced to use stouter implements to cause damage due to anti-vandal measures being taken. Despite such measures as the metal plating of doors and metal panels surrounding water service pipes, a considerable amount of damage has been done.

#### CIVIC AMENITIES ACT

During 1972, 6 motor vehicles were removed by the owners and/or persons unknown after service of the usual notices.

Several accumulations of rubbish, debris, etc., have also been removed.

# GENERAL

In conclusion, I should like to thank you for your advice, co-operation and support, also to Councillor H. Clayton, Chairman of the Health Committee, for support at all times, also to Mr. Foxton, Mr. Ruta, Mr. Howe and Mr. Percival, for their assistance throughout the year.

I am,

Your obedient Servant,

T. BRUCE.

Senior Public Health Inspector.

	No. of Inspections
Houses under Public Health Acts.	364
Re-inspections.	269
Vermin and Infestations.	18
Water Supply.	156
Scrap Metal Dealers. Schools.	<del>-</del> 3
Rent Acts.	<u> </u>
Ashes Accommodation.	60
Refuse Disposal.	201
Salvage.	-
Septic Tanks. Animals, Birds, etc.	19
Piggeries.	
Rodent Control.	46
Drainage - Inspected.	428
Tested.	282
Conveniences. Closets - Water.	28 63
Pails.	<del>-</del>
Ice-cream Premises.	61
Meat Shops.	42
Food Preparing Premises.	15
General Food Premises.	225 6
Food Inspections. Shops Act.	186
Factories (with mechanical power).	4
Factories (without mechanical power).	-
Slaughterhouses - Meat Inspection.	518
Offensive Trades.	10
Rag Flock Premises. Disinfestation.	_
Infectious Diseases and Food Poisoning.	40
Disinfection.	· <u>-</u>
Housing - Section 9.	.5
Section 16 and 17.	27
Clearance Areas. Other Visits.	<del>-</del> 254
Demolition.	
Overcrowding.	5
Petroleum Acts.	6
Clean Air Act.	19
Smoke Observations.  Premises Visited.	11 3
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act.	69
Interviews - Owners, Tradesmen, etc.	734
Samples - Food and Drugs - Formal.	-
Informal.	_
Water - Bacteriological. Chemical.	10
Clean Milk - T.B. Examination.	-
Bacteriological.	60
Factory Outworkers.	-
Sewers and Street Gullies.	230
Caravan Sites. Milk Distributors.	2
Licensed Premises.	42
Slaughterhouses Act, 1958.	-
National Assistance Act, 1947.	-
Licensing Act, 1961.	-
Noise Abatement Act, 1960.	27
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963. Legal Proceedings.	-
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	4,543



#### LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

# URBAN DISTRICT OF LITTLEBOROUGH

SUMMARY embodying particulars required to be included in the ANNUAL THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH for the Year 1972.

#### STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA 1.

Area in acres (at 31.12.70): 7,855. Population - Census, 1961: 10,514.

Registrar General's estimate of home population, mid-1972 (if known). 12,350.

Number of inhabited dwellings at the end of 1972, according to rate books: 4,989.

Rateable Value: £365,663. Sum represented by penny rate: €3.450.

Social conditions, including the chief industries carried on in the area:

Manufacture of cotton and woollen goods, synthetic fibres, dyeing and finishing, leather tanning, iron turning and founding, oil and fat refining, making of bread and confectionery, glue manufacture and fibre glass moulding, general joinery and building contractors, industrial container cleansing, pharmaceutical manufacturers.

# VITAL STATISTICS

Particulars of any unusual or excessive mortality during the year which has received or required comment: None.

Any causes of sickness or invalidity which have been specially noteworthy in the area during the year: None.

Any conditions of occupation or environment which appear to have had a prejudicial effect on health: None.

#### 2. GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA Public Health Officers of the Local Authority

(i) Medical Officer of Health.

- Dr. J. S. Willman. M.F.C.M., M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.
- (ii) Qualifications and special diplomas. (iii) Is he a whole or part-time officer of the

Local Authority.

Part-time.

Any other public appointments held by him? Divisional Medical Officer, (iv) Health Division No. 13. Medical Officer of Health - Whitworth U.D.C. Wardle U.D.C. Bacup M.B. Heywood M.B.

Is he in private practice? No.

2. Public Health Inspector(s):

Name	Qualifications and Special Diplomas	Whole or part-time as P.H.I.	Other appointments with Local Authority (if any)
T. Bruce.	Certificate P.H.I.E.B., Diploma of R.S.H. Meat and Other Foods. Diploma of R.S.H. for Smoke Inspectors.	Whole	
G. Foxton.	Diploma of P.H.I.E.B.	Whole	-
P. V. Ruta.	Diploma of P.H.I.E.B.	\/hole	

3. Other Public Health Officers: None.

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# Local Legislation

4. Alterations during year to local legislation (including bye-laws) in force in the district: None.

# National Assistance Acts, 1948 to 1951

5. (i) No. of applications for removal made during the year under Section 47: Nil.

(ii) Number of orders made:

(iii) Circumstances of each case:

(iv) Compared to the Section 47: Nil.

iv) Comments on operation of the Section:

(iv)	Comments on operation of the Section:	-
	3. SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA	
. Wate	er Supply:	
(i)	Statutory water undertaker: West Pennine Wa	iter Board.
(ii)	If any re-grouping during year give constitution and date of establishment of new water board:	Nil.
(iii)	Type of supply (e.g; upland surface, deep wells, river, etc.):	Upland Surface and Deep Wells.
(iv)	Give particulars of any new sources of public supply acquired during the year:	~
(v)	Extensions of water mains during the year -  (a) to existing dwellings:  (b) to new dwellings:  (c) to other development:	Nil. 239 houses.
(vi)	Supplies to dwellings:	
	(a) No. of dwellings newly connected to public mains supply during 1972 - Existing dwellings:  New dwellings:	Nil. 239 houses.
	(b) Supply to all dwellings at end of year - From public mains - Direct to dwellings - No. of dwellings: Est. no. of population:	4,666 11,046
	By means of standpipe - No. of dwellings: Est. no. of population:	Nil. Nil.
	From private supplies, e.g; wells, springs: etc No. of dwellings: Est. no. of population:	553 1,304
(vii)	Has the water supply of the area and of its several parts been satisfactory during the year?	1
	(a) In quality: Yes.	

- (a) In quality: Yes.(b) In quantity: Yes.
- (viii) Samples obtained by the local authority during the year of
  - (a) the raw water Public supply Bacteriological examinations: Satisfactory: Unsatisfactory: Chemical analysis: Satisfactory: Unsatisfactory: Private supplies -Bacteriological examinations: Satisfactory: Unsatisfactory: 10 Chemical analysis: 2 Satisfactory: 8 Unsatisfactory:

(b) water going into supply where treatment is installed.

Public supply:

Bacteriological examinations.

Chemical analyses.

Private supplies:

Bacteriological examinations.

(ix) Action taken by the local authority in respect of any form of contamination

(a) public supplies: Occasional complaints regarding brownish

dis-colouration reduced due to action by the West Pennine Water Board.

(b) private supplies: Persuade and/or compel connection to mains where

possible. If connection to mains impossible, advise re-filtration (i.e. Berkefeld filters)

by pumps and filters.

(x) What action is taken in the case of new dwellings built where mains water supply is not available to ensure that the water supply is satisfactory in quality and quantity?

No action necessary.

- (xi) Any liability to plumbo-solvent action?
  - (a) Public supplies: None.
  - (b) Private supplies: Certain ones.
- (xii) If so, give facts as to contamination by lead and the precautions taken by the local authority or statutory water undertaker, including use of special material for pipes.

Where low pH indicated by sampling of private supplies efforts are being made to bring about treatment of raw water along with work at (x) above, but wherever possible seek connection with public main.

(xiii) What is fluoride content of mains supply?

Natural. Very small indeed. Artificial. Supply not fluoridated.

#### 2. Drainage and Severage -

(i) Give particulars of sewage disposal, works and methods of treatment.

Sewage Disposal Works at Lower Mill, Littleborough. Precipitation and filtration.

(ii) Give details of any new works of sewerage and sewage disposal and of any additions undertaken during the year.

None.

- (iii) No. of dwellings connected during the year to:-
  - (a) Sewerage system.
  - (b) Septic tanks.
  - (c) Cesspools.
- (iv) Areas of townships without proper sewerage system and reasons therefor.

New dwellings. 239
Existing dwellings. New dwellings Existing dwellings. 2

New dwellings. Existing dwellings. New Restaurant. 1

Parts of Shore, Hollingworth and low lying and outlying parts of district; distance from existing sewerage system prohibitive or below level of existing sewer.

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# 3. Sanitary accommodation at end of 1972:-

(i) (ii)	No.	of privy middens.	Nil
	No.	of closets attached to these middens.	Nil
(iii)	No.	of pail closets.	46
(iv)	No.	of dry ashpits (excluding middens).	Nil
(v)	No.	of movable dustbins etc.	6,330
(vi)	No.	of trough closets.	Nil
		of waste water closets.	99
		of fresh water closets.	4,930
(ix)	Con	versions during 1972.	3
	(a)	No. of privy closets - To fresh w.c. 's.	Nil
	` '	To pails, etc.	Nil
	(b)	No. of pail closets to fresh w.c.'s.	Nil
	(c)	No. of trough closets to fresh w.c.'s.	Nil
	(d)	No. of trough closets to fresh w.c.'s. No. of waste w.c.'s. to fresh w.c.'s.	3
	(e)	No. of premises at which movable dustbins,	
		etc. were substituted for fixed receptacles.	Nil
(x)	No.	of duellings NOT on water carriage system.	46

# 4. Public Cleansing:-

- (i) Renewal of movable dustbins, etc. to dwellings effected (a) Out of rate fund.
- (ii) No. of premises at which disposable sacks were in use at end of year.(a) 171.
- (iii) Give brief particulars of the arrangements for -

(a) Refuse collection. House refuse collected by 3 vehicles engaged full time, (three end loaders). Trade refuse and removal of discarded furniture removed by above refuse freighters and/or Council lorry. Night soil collected by mechanical night soil and gully emptier.

- (b) Refuse disposal. House and trade refuse. Tip situate at Hollingworth. Night soil. Emptied direct into sewer.
- (c) Cesspool empting. As requested by owners.

# 5. Total inspections made for all purposes by Public Health Inspectors during 1972.

(1)	Premises visited.	No. of premises visited.	3,756
		No. of visits.	4,543
(ii)	Defects or nuisances.	No. discovered.	366
		No. abated.	279
(iii)	No. of notices served.	Informal.	74
		Statutory.	7
(iv)	Legal proceedings.	No.	
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(iii)	No. of notices served.  Legal proceedings.	No. abated. Informal. Statutory. No.	27

# 6. Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 -

		Clas	ss of premis	es	
	Offices	Retail Shops.	Wholesale Shops, Ware- houses.	Catering establishments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage
(i) No. of registered premises	13	36	-	7	
at end of year.  (ii) No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during year.	13	36	ee	7	enen



			Class of premises				
			Offices	Retail Shops.	Wholesale Shops, Ware- houses	Catering Establish- ments open to public, canteens	Fuel Storage
	(ii	ii) No. of exemptions current at end of year. Space (S.5.(2).) Temperature (S.6.) Sanitary conveniences (S9) Washing facilities (S.10).	Nil - - -	Nil - - -	Nil - - -	Nil - - -	Nil - - -
7	(i; (;	v) No. of visits of all kinds v) Details of any prosecutions Clean Air Act, 1956:- (i) Smoke control Areas -			istered pren	nises. 6 Ni	59 .1
	(a) No. of orders submitted to Ministry during year.  (b) No. of orders confirmed by Ministry during year.  (c) Total No. of orders in force at end of year.  (d) No. of houses and other buildings involved in (a)  in (b)  Nil  and in (c)  Nil  (c) Remarks (particulars of exempted premises, if any etc.)						.1 .1 .1 .1
	<ul> <li>(ii) Particulars of any co-operative action with industry:-</li> <li>(a) Regional. None.</li> <li>(b) District. The hand fired boilers still operating continue to present problems and contraventions are almost impossible to avoid.</li> </ul>						
	(iii) Any other special action taken with regard to atmospheric pollution.  Membership of South East Lancashire and North Cheshire Consultative Committee. Liaison with Alkali Inspector.						
		(iv) Number of legal proceedi	ings and res	aults. 1	Vil.		
8	•	Noise Abatement Act, 1960:-					
		(i) No. of complaints invest (ii) Details of formal action			No for	27 mal action n	lecessary.
9	•	Swimming Baths and Pools -					
	(	(i) Brief particulars (state (b) privately-owned but (ii) Source of water used for (iii) Method of treatment. (iv) If continuous filtration (v) No. of samples of water	open to pul	olic. mover peri	None i iod. n. (a) Ba	n district	1. –
1	0.	Prevention of Damage by Pests	Act, 1949	-			
		(i) No. of rodent operatives	employed	-	(a) F (b) F		Nil. One.

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(ii) Properties other than sewers -

		TIPE OF PROPERTI		
		NON AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL	
1.	No. of properties in district. (a) Total number of properties (including	5,529	78	
	nearby premises) inspected following notification.  (b) Number infested by (i) Rats.  (ii) Mice.	157 74 83	5 3 2	
3.	(a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons		<i>د</i>	
	other than notification.  (i) Rats.  (ii) Mice.	392 185 207	12 8 4	

- (iii) Were any sewers infested by rats during the year? Yes.
- (iv) Other action or points of interest. To enlist the aid of residents in rodent control measures, posters have been produced and affixed to the side of refuse freighters and thereby taken weekly into every street in the district.
  - (v) Particulars of other infestations under the Act (as defined in Section 28). Nil.

The use of Warfarin and Racumin continues to be effective against rats but it is no longer used against mice. Mice have been effectively dealt with by using the rodenticide "Alphakil". Central Heating causes some difficulties when Alphakil is used.

- 1. Disinfestion Action taken during year:
  - (i) No. of dwellings found to be infested.
  - (ii) No. of dwellings disinfested.
  - (iii) Method employed for ensuring disinfestation of belongings of tenants before removal to council dwellings.
    - (iv) Is work of disinfestation carried out by Local Authority or by a contractor?

(a) Council dwellings. -

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- (b) Other dwellings. -
- (a) Council dwellings. -
- (b) Other dwellings. Nil. Arrangements would have to be made with a contractor for such a service for furniture and use of nearby steam disinfector for other items. There is no evidence of infestations of this nature for over ten years.

Other than in (iii) by Local Authority with satisfactory results.

#### 12. Schools:-

(i) (ii)	Total No. of schools in district at end of year.  Sanitary conditions of schools at end of year -	8
	<ul><li>(a) No. of schools with unsatisfactory yard surfaces.</li><li>(b) Sanitary accommodation - No. of schools with :-</li></ul>	Nil
	(1) Fresh water closets only.	8
	(2) Waste water closets only.	Nil
	(3) Trough closets only.	Nil
	(A) Pail closets only.	Nil
	(5) Privy closets only.	Nil
	(6) Other (state type).	Nil
	(c) Drainage - No. of schools with drainage to -	
	(1) Public sewers.	8
	(1) Public sewers. (2) Private treatment works.	Nil
	(d) Refuse disposal - No. of schools with -	
	(1) Dustbins.	8
	(2) Dry ashpits.	Nil
	(e) Water supply - No. of schools supplied from -	
	(1) Public mains.	8

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2) Private supplies. Nil

(3) Distance of each school in (3) from nearest public main.
(4) No. of private supplies (3) (2) considered unsatisfactory.

(f) No. of private supplies (5) (2) considered unsatisfactory. –

No. of schools where facilities are considered unsatisfactory for

(1) Washing.

(2) Drinking.

13. Offensive Trades:-

(i) No. of premises. Two. (ii) Type of offensive trades. Glue Maker. Leather Tanners and Dressers.

(iii) Any special action taken. Problems associated with waste disposal at Glue Manufacturers.

14. Prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961, during the year 1972.

(a) Part I of the Act:

Inspections for the purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors).

PREMISES	Number on Register	Number of			
THEND		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted	
<ul> <li>(i) Factories in which sections 1, 2, 3, 4 &amp; 6, are to be enforced by Local Authorities.</li> <li>(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.</li> <li>(iii) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises).</li> </ul>	2 81	Nil 4	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	
TOTAL:	83	4	Nil	Nil	

2. Cases in which defects were found.

(if defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned at two, three or more "cases").

Particulars		er of cases were	Number of cases in which pro-		
		Remedied	Referred		secutions
			To HM Insp- ector	By HM Insp- ector	were instituted
Want of cleanliness (S.1.)		_	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2.)	-	-	_	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3.)	_	_	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4.)		-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6)	_	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences (S.7.)				:	
(a) Insufficient. (b) Unsuitable or defective.		_	_	_	_
(c) Not separate for sexes.		_	_	_	
Other offences against the Act		_			
(not including offences relating					
to outwork.)	_	-	-	-	-



15. Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Act, 1951.

(i) No. of registered premises at end of year on which rag flock or other filling materials were used in manufacture or bedding, toys, etc. Nil.
(ii) No. of licensed premises at end of year on which rag flock was 
(a) Manufactured, or manufactured and stored.

(b) Stored only.

Nil.
(iii) No. of inspections during year.

Nil.
(iv) Samples taken during year.

What are the chief sanitary requirements of the district? Extensions of sewers to outlying parts of district.

# 4. HOUSING

# (a) Statistics

1. Number of new dwellings erected during the year:-	Houses	Flats
<ul><li>(i) By the local authority.</li><li>(ii) By other local authorities.</li></ul>	des .	
(ii) By other local authorities.	_	-
(iii) By other bodies or persons.	239	_

2. Total No. of dwellings owned by any local authority, existing in district at end of year. 976.

3. Inspections of dwellings during the year:-

(i) (a) Total No. of dwellings inspected formally or informally for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts). 254
(b) No. of inspections, formal or informal, made for the purpose. 209

(b) No. of inspections, formal or informal, made for the purpose. 209 (c) No. of dwellings in (a) above found to be not in all

respects reasonably fit for human habitation but capable of being rendered fit.

(ii) Total No. of dwellings existing at end of year, occupied or not, which were unfit for human habitation and not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit and in respect of which -

(a) Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have been made (at any time).

(b) Demolition, Clearance or Closing Orders have not yet been made.

## 4. Houses Demolished:-

In or adjoining Clearance Areas:

	Number	Displaced during year from houses to be demolished or closed	
		Persons	Families
(i) Houses unfit for human habitation (ii) Houses included by reason of	27	26	16
bad arrangement etc. (iii) Houses on land acquired under	Nil		
S.43. (2) Housing Act, 1957. Not in or adjoining Clearance Areas -	Nil		
(iv) As a result of formal or informal procedure under S.16 or S.17 (1). Housing Act 1957.  (v) Local Authority owned houses	Nil		
certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health. (vi) Houses unfit for human habit-	Nil		
ation where action has been taken under Local Acts.  (vii) Unfit houses included in	Nil		
Unfitness Orders.	Nil.		



5. Unfit Houses Closed:

Number	Displaced during year from houses to be demolished or closed		
Persons		Families	
Nil	Nil	Nil	
Nil	Nil	Nil	
Nil	Nil	Nil	

(i) Under S.16 (4), S.17 (1) and S.35 (1) Housing Act 1957 and S.26 Housing Act, 1961.
(ii) Under S.17 (3) and S.26 Housing

Act, 1957.

(iii) Parts of buildings closed under S.18, Housing Act, 1957.

### 6. Unfit Houses Made Fit:

	Number
(i) By owner after informal action by local authority. (ii) After formal notice under S.9 and S.16, Housing Act, 1957:	25
(a) By owner. , (b) By local authority.	Nil
, (b) By local authority.	Nil
(iii) After formal notice under Public Health Acts.	7
(iv) After modification or revocation of a clearance	
order under S.21 Housing Act, 1961.	Nil
(v) After determination of a demolition order under	
S.24, Housing Act, 1957.	Nil

Unfit Houses in Temporary Use (Housing Act, 1957): 7.

Position at end of year: (i) Retained for temporary accommodation -(a) Under Section 48. (b) Under S.17 (2) (c) Under S.46 (ii) Licensed for temporary occupation under S.34 or S.53.

Number of separate dwellings contained in column (1). (2)
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Purchase of Houses by Agreement: 8.

> Houses in clearance areas other than those included in confirmed orders or compulsory purchase orders.

Number of houses (1)	Number of occupants of houses in Col (1)
	_



other buildings affected in scheme of: Private bodies Local or individuals Authority Action during year: (i) submitted by private individuals to local authority. 165 (ii) approved by local authority. 129 (iii) submitted by local authority to Ministry. (iv) finally approved by Ministry. (v) work completed. (vi) additional separate dwellings 50 included in (v) above. (vii) any other action taken under the

No. of dwelling houses or

No. of dwellings or other buildings affected

125

Nil

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Nil

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10. House Purchase and Housing Act, 1969 - Action during year:

Acts (give brief particulars).

- (i) Applications submitted to local authority for improvement to (a) full standard.
  (b) reduced standard.
- (ii) Total applications approved by local authority for improvement to (a) full standard.

  (b) reduced standard.
- (iii) Work completed.

None.

- (iv) Particulars of any action taken relating to compulsory improvement of dwellings. Nil
- 11. Housing Act, 1969 Special Grants:-

Action during year:	No. of dwellings or other buildings affected		
	Owner occupied	Others	
<ul> <li>(i) Applications submitted to local authority for special grant.</li> <li>(ii) Applications approved by local authority for improvement by</li> </ul>		-	
special grant. (iii) Work completed.	-	- -	

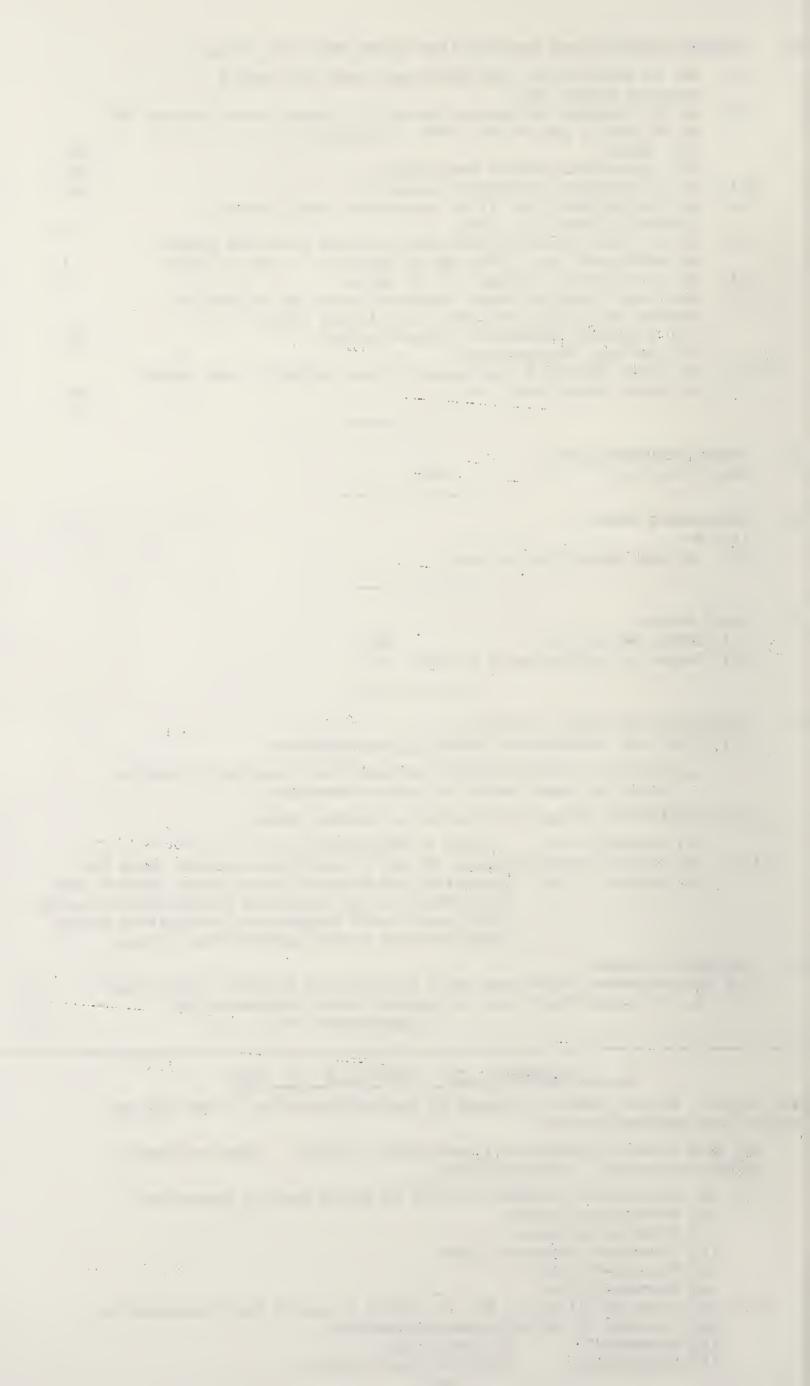
12. Lancashire County Council (General Powers) Act, 1968. S.17. Particulars of any action during year. None.

# (b) HOUSING CONDITIONS

13.	Approximate number of:	
	(i) back-to-back houses.	412
	(ii) back-to-earth houses.	45
(	iii) other houses without through ventilation:	Nil



14.	. Movable dwellings and camping sites (other than H.M. Forces):	
	(i) No. of sites in the area which were used for camping	
	purposes during 1972.  (ii) No. of licences in force at end of 1972 issued under Section 269 of the Public Health Act, 1936, in respect of:	1
	(a) Sites.	Nil
	(b) Individual movable dwellings.	Nil
	(iii) No. of caravans permanently occupied.  (iv) Any action under Part IV of Lancashire County Council	Nil
	(General Powers) Act, 1951.	Nil
	(v) No. of site licences issued under Caravan Sites and Control	4
	of Development Act, 1960, and in operation at end of year.  (vi) No. of caravans concerned in (v) above.	1 25
	(vii) Has Council adopted Model Standards issued by Ministry of	
	Housing and Local Government for sites in respect of:  (a) Permanent residential caravan sites?	Yes
	(b) Holiday caravan sites?	-
	(viii) Any other special action taken by local authority with regard	7.T.2 7
	to tents, vans, sheds, etc.	Nil
15.		
	No. of Register - Nil.	
16.	Underground Rooms:	
10.	(i) No.	
	(ii) Are any regulations in force? -	
17.	Canal Boats:	
. , 0	(i) Number inspected. Nil	
	(ii) Number of infringements of Acts. Nil	
18.	Sufficiency of supply of houses:	
	(i) Give some indication of extent of any shortage.	
	Shortage of single bedroom accommodation required for people living in houses which lack modern amenities.	
	(ii) Particulars of any local authority housing scheme:	
	(a) Contemplated: 4 sites in Urban District.	
	(iii) Any special difficulties in the way of providing suitable sites for new houses: Yes. Objection from Mersey & Weaver River Board to development due to inadequate sewage disposation of Joint action with neighbouring authorities a resolve matter within approximately 1 year.	o new l works.
20.		
	(i) No. of houses which have not a satisfactory internal water supply	r: 85
	(ii) No. of houses which have no separate closet accommodation (Approximate only):	4.76
		4.10
	5. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD	
Man		
	k Supply - Action taken with regard to the administration of the Milk and Tries Acts and Regulations.	
	The Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1963-5. (Food and Drugs Authorities only). Not applicable.	
	(i) No. of dealers! licences in force at end of year in respect of:	
	(a) Pasteurising plant.	
	(b) Sterilising plant. (c) Ultra heat treatment plant.	
	(d) Pre-packed milk.	
	(e) Untreated milk.	
	(ii) By virtue of (i) above. No. of dealers at end of year authorised to deal in milk of the following designations -	.0
	(a) Untreated. (c) Sterilised.	
	(b) Pasteurised. (d) Ultra heat treated 22 -	



- (iii) Any refusal or revocation of licences for designated milk, with reason for the refusal or revocation.
- Action taken by local authority in relation to samples taken in the district (All Authorities):
  - Samples for Biological Examination -

Total No.		Results	
of samples submitted.	Positive	Negative	No result
_			-
60	2	58	
-	2	-	-
-	alep	_	_

Results: (a) Tuberculosis. (b) Brucellosis - Ring Test. (c) Brucellosis - Culture Test. (a) Brucellosis Biological Test.

(ii) Samples of Statutory Tests:

	,				
77 78° 77	37 0	Results			
Raw Milk	No. of samples	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	Void samples	
(a) Methylene Blue Test. Heat Treated Milk:		-	desp		
(b) Methylene Blue Test.		dia.	_	_	
(c) Phosphatase Test.		-	<del>(</del>	-	
(d) Turbidity Test. (e) Colony Count Test.			-	-	

3. Brucella abortus: (i) Action taken in respect of positive samples - Milk supply sent for Pasteurisation.

(ii) Did any cases of Brucellosis in human-being come to your notice during 1972? If so, how many? One

Action taken under Regulation 19 of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959.

Nil.

Action taken under Regulation 20 of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959 (other than that at (3) above). Order prohibiting sale of raw milk.

Action taken under Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) 6. Regulations, 1925.

Nil.

Meat and other foods (excluding adulteration) -

Details of any legal proceedings taken with regard to the preparation, storage, handling or sale of food.

Nil.

Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963

No. of egg pasteurisation plants in district at end of year. (i)

Nil.

No. of samples of liquid egg submitted to Apha-Amylase Test and (ii) their results.

Nil.

(i)Is a public abattoir in use in the district. No.

(ii) Total No. of private slaughterhouses licensed by local authority at end of year. No. or private slaughterhouses licensed by local authority at end

2 Nil.

of year for slaughter of horses. (iv) Action taken with regard to

(iii)

(a) Ante mortem inspection of animals. Examination of livestock

in lairages prior to slaughter. (b) Post-mortem inspection of animals. All carcases inspected,

after slaughter by qualified Meat Inspectors.

Details of control, under the Meat Inspection (Amendment) Regulations, (v) over times of slaughter. The Council have passed a Resolution regarding slaughtering carried out at weekend, to the effect that slaughtering carried out on Saturday morning up to 12 a.m. only, and no slaughtering to be carried out on Sundays.



	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed (if known). Number inspected. All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci -	2187 2187	1705 1705	22 22	9401 9401	1682 1682	-
Whole carcases condemned. Carcases of which some part or organ	6-39	5	1	66	1	-
was condemned.  Percentage of the number inspected	211	709		398	72	-
affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci.	9.64	47.42	-	4.23	4.16	-
Tuberculosis only - Whole carcases condemned. Carcases of which some part or organ		-	_	-	-	-
was condemned.  Percentage of number inspected	_	-	dage		13	_
affected with Tuberculosis.  Cysticercosis -	dana.	_	-	-	0.07	7 -
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned. Carcases submitted to treatment by	-	_	-	-	_	_
refrigeration.  Generalised and totally condemned.	3 -	_ _	-			

# 11. Poultry inspection:

- (i) No. of poultry processing premises within district at end of 1972. Nil. (ii) No. of visits made to these premises during year. Nil.
- (ii) No. of visits made to these premises during year.

  (iii) Total No. of birds processed during the year.

  Nil.
- (iv) Types of birds processed. (a) Turkeys. (b) Ducks. -
  - (c) Hens. -
  - (d) Broilers. -(e) Capons. -
  - (f) etc. Others. (Specify). (v) No. of birds rejected as unfit for human consumption. -
- (vi) Weight of poultry condemned as unfit for human consumption. -
- (vii) Comments on poultry processing and inspection. -
- 12. Slaughter of Poultry Act 1967 No. of premises registered under Section 2.
- 13. By what method(s) was disposal of any unsound food effected?
- (i) Carcase meat Sale by owners to firms dealing solely with this type of commodity.
- (ii) Other foods Destruction by burning or buried on the Council's Refuse Tip.
- 14. Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1970.

Type of business	(a) No. of premises		(c) No. of premises to which Regul- ation 19 applies (Sinks).	(d) No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19.	
(i) Greengrocers and provision dealers. (ii) Greengrocers & fruit	33	33	33	33	
erers (including those selling wet fish, game etc.) (iii) Fishmongers (inclu-	5	5	5	5	
ding those selling poultry, game etc.	-		-	_	

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(a) No. of premises	(b) No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16. (Wash-hand basins).		(d) No. of premises fitted to comply with Reguation 19.			
11	11	11	11			
7	7	7	7			
13	13	13	13			
7	7	7	7			
44	44	44	44			
	No. of premises  11  7 13	No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16. (Wash-hand basins).	No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16. (Wash-hand basins).  No. of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19 applies (Sinks).			

15. No. of Food premises, by type, registered under Section 16 of the Food & Drugs Act, 1955, the Lancashire County Council Acts or other local Acts (give separately the No. of premises registered for manufacture of ice-cream) -

Type of business	Legislation under which registration effected.		No. of inspections of registered premises during year.	
Ice Cream Premises.	Food and Drugs Act, 1955.	51	61	

- 16. Lancashire County Council (General Powers) Acts No. of hawkers registered by Local Authority. None.
- 17. Action taken under the Ice-Cream (Heat Treatment, etc) Regulations 1959, and 1963 No. premises registered for the manufacture of Ice-Cream.
- 18. Adulteration, etc., (Food and Drugs Authorities only). Not applicable.
- 19. Food poisoning:
  - (i) Total notifications (corrected) during year as returned on quarterly Forms 118D and 118E.

Nil.

Nil.

- (ii) Total number of additional (i.e. un-notified) cases ascertained as a result of investigations into notified cases.
- (iii) Total number of outbreaks being regarded as the whole of the cases, being more than one in number, either probably or certainly derived from a single contaminating of infecting source.
- (iv) Detail here, separately, particulars of each outbreak included in (iii) Nil.

No. o	No. of cases		Organism or other	Vehicle of	Place where
Notified	Ascertained but not notified	deaths	agent responsible	infection.	contaminated food was consumed.
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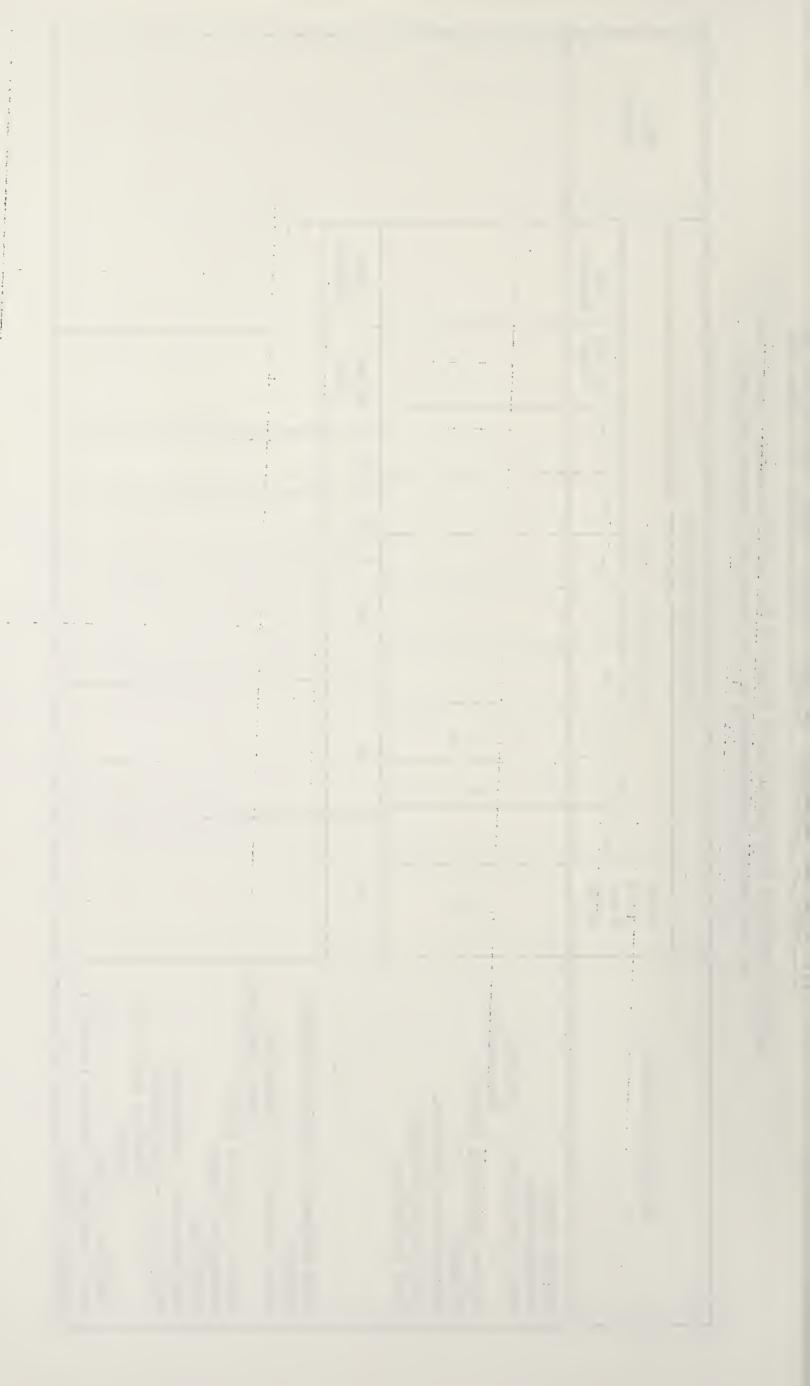
(v) Observations on any points of interest arising in connection with any of the above outbreaks or any single case (in particular, please state if related to any outbreak in any other district).



# (1) CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR 1972

(after corrections subsequently made either by the notifying medical practitioner or by the Medical Superintendent of the Infectious Diseases Hospital).

	Total Deaths				
	ន្ត្	Age Unknown		Age Unknown	
		25 and over	M	65 and over	-
		15-	~ ~	45	
ied		10-		15-	
Notified	- Years	5-	₹ .		
. Cases	Age Periods	4	<del>←</del> 1	10-	
Total		7-	4 1		
		2-	ru 1	5-	
		-	w 1		
		9	1 1		
	Total cases of all ages.		26	0	
	Notifiable Diseases		Scarlet fever. Whooping cough. Acute poliomyelitis - Faralytic. Measles (excluding rubella). Dysentery. Meningococcal infection. Ophthalmia neonatorum.		Acute pneumonia (prim and Infl'zal. Smallpox. Acute encephalitis - Infective Post-infectious. Faratyphoid fevers. Erysipelas. Food poisoning - Salmonella. Tuberculosis - Respiratory Meninges and C.N.S Other. Puerperal pyrexia. Other notifiable diseases (specify). Infective Jaundice.



2.	and (non	ew the prevalence of notifiable infectious diseases durin give any noteworthy facts as to the source or spread of i -notifiable acute infectious diseases should also be repo ar as available information enables this to be done).	nfection				
3•	State whether the following diseases were compulsorily notifiable in your district during 1972 by order of the District Council, and, if so, state for what period (see Table on Page 26).						
	(iii)	Diarrhoea (under 2 years) Chicken-pox Any others Observations					
4.	. Disinfection after infectious diseases:						
	(iii)	No. of houses disinfected during year:  Method (state disinfectant used):  Apparatus used for disinfecting clothing, bedding, etc.  (steam or otherwise).  Where is apparatus situated?  -	Nil.				
5.		any action been taken under Section 172, Public Health 1936?	No 2				
	(ii)	If so, No. of applications for Orders for compulsory					
		removal to hospital.	Nil.				

Signed:

(iii) No. of cases in which Orders were granted.(iv) Observations.

J. S. WILLMAN.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

Nil.

